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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
One South Station  
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Boston Gas Company d/b/a KeySpan Energy Delivery New England, D.T.E. 03-40

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Bay State Gas Company, are an original and 25 copies of Bay State's Initial Brief in the above-captioned matter.

Please return a date-stamped copy of this letter in the return envelope provided.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Very truly yours,



Patricia M. French

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**Boston Gas Company d/b/a KeySpan  
Energy Delivery New England**

**Dated: August 29, 2003**